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1-13. (CANCELED)

14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of increasing readiness of a crossover gear shift in an automatic transmission, the method comprising the steps of:

attaining at least one of a snatch operation of the disengaging switching element and an increase of the transmission rotational speed gradient by:

providing a crossover gear shift switching command to the transmission;

actuating a motor fueling from the transmission immediately after the crossover gear shift command upon one of a set transmission rotational speed and a set motor torque, wherein engagement and disengagement of transmission clutches are effected by an increase in fuel to the engine or a resultant increase in the engine output torque to the transmission during the shifting operation; and

maintaining the motor fueling during the crossover gear shift.

15-20. (CANCELED)

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 14, further comprising the step of reducing pressure in the disengaging switching element during the motor fueling such that the opening of the disengaging switching element is accelerated.

22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 14, further comprising the step of increasing pressure in the ~~[[dis]]~~engaging switching element during the motor fueling.

23. (CANCELED)